

we'll go on to Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members. I just want to make a few more comments. I think it would have been better if we could have found a neutral number, because I think when you go back home, as Senator Rod Johnson made the comment, that LB 355 is not popular in rural Nebraska. And they're going to say, well, gee, you voted for LB 355 and I told you to vote for LB 801, but we couldn't find any number here that we could use. So LB 801 is still in the committee. LB 355 is out here. But once they realize what we actually have here they have to like this much, much better than a government seven-day waiting period that we would have without it. What we have is a certificate plan, really, where you get this three year certificate. Senator Moore would like four, I would like to have four, but three is better than two. But it's a certificate plan that you go to any gun show, or any dealer and buy this gun, or trade this gun. So it isn't a waiting period like it was when it first started out. And I think it's something that the people in rural Nebraska can live with, because for \$5 you could do this for three years. So I think it's very reasonable also. Once again let me make the comment that this is a compromise that was worked out between mainly Senator Ashford and myself, but it is supported by handgun control and NRA. They may not support the whole bill, because they don't like parts of the actual bill. But it's a...the compromise, it's getting both bills into this amendment. LB 355 in a very amended form will come into play right now, or when it becomes law. And then LB 801, hopefully, will be on January 1, 1995. And you'll be able to use either the certificate, or the instant check, come 1995. So, hopefully, if we get all of these details worked out on these technical things, which we just finished this last night, late, but I think it will be worked out to the satisfaction of everyone. With that, I support the amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Next speaker is Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members. Would Senator Ashford yield to a couple questions. Senator Ashford, if the Brady, the handgun control people came to you, after the passage in Washington, to introduce another bill that would call for license requirements whereby an owner will have to prove necessity to purchase guns and ammunition, would you introduce